

MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON EXPLOITATION
OF FOREIGN DOCUMENTS

Room 2C720, The Pentagon, 14~~00~~

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Present: Mr. J. J. Bagnall, Chairman
Mr. Theodore Nordbeck, Department of State
Lt. Col. N. C. Bonawitz, Department of Air
Lt. Cdr. W. A. Illing, Department of Navy
Mr. T. A. Georgevitch, Department of Army
Mr. B. M. Fry, AEC

25X1A Consultants from FDB:

1. A draft of the summarized findings of the Committee, was read, discussed, amended and approved.

2. After a consideration of the overall requirements of the IAC for a common service exploitation of foreign documents, the Chairman reported the capabilities of FDB to meet those requirements under present authorized personnel allotments as follows:

a. USSR

- 1) Exploit available provincial newspapers.
- 2) Exploit Moscow newspapers for industrial, economic, sociological and technological information.
- 3) Abstract all available scientific periodicals for intelligence information.
- 4) Exploit all available non-scientific periodicals for intelligence information.
- 5) Abstract all available current Soviet books of intelligence value.
- 6) Perform limited exploitation of highest priority Soviet books.

b. Satellite Countries (Finland to Bulgaria)

- 1) Exploit available newspapers to meet the expressed needs of the IAC.
- 2) Exploit available periodicals to a limited degree.
- 3) Perform occasional exploitation of highest priority books.

c. Near East

- 1) Exploitation of priority newspapers and periodicals for intelligence requirements.
- 2) Occasional highest priority exploitation of books.
- 3) No exploitation of any publications of India, Pakistan, Afghanistan or Africa except Egypt.

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d. Far East

- 1) Exploitation of priority newspapers and periodicals.
- 2) Exploitation of highest priority books.
- 3) No exploitation of any publications of Japan, Malaya or the Philippines.

e. Western Europe-Northern Europe-Latin America

- 1) No exploitation of any publications.

3. The Committee decided that the importance and necessity of a permanent advisory committee on exploitation of foreign documents is now apparent and that its final report will include a recommendation for the establishment of such a body.

4. On vote, a sub-committee was appointed by the Chair to compose the first draft of the Committee Report, which will be considered at the next meeting. The sub-committee: Mr. T. Nordbeck and Mr. T. A. Georgevitch.

5. The next meeting will be held at 1400, 25 July 1949 in Room 2C720, The Pentagon.

6. The meeting adjourned at 1530.

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